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Letter dated 24 December 2002 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 918 (1994) concerning Rwanda addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 918 (1994), which was adopted by the Committee under the no-objection procedure on 24 December 2002 and is being submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 (S/1995/234) (see annex).

(*Signed*) Mikhail **Wehbe**
Chairman
Security Council Committee established
pursuant to resolution 918 (1994)

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Annex

Report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 918 (1994) concerning Rwanda

I. Introduction

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 918 (1994) concerning Rwanda covers the period from 1 January to 20 December 2002.

2. The Committee submitted a report covering its activities from January to December 2001 to the Security Council on 14 January 2002 (S/2002/49).

II. Summary of the activities of the Committee during the reporting period

3. For 2002, the bureau consisted of Ambassador Mikhail Wehbe (Syrian Arab Republic) as Chairman, with the delegations of Guinea and Ireland providing the two Vice-Chairmen.

4. Although the restrictions imposed by paragraph 13 of resolution 918 (1994) on the sale or supply of arms and related materiel to the Government of Rwanda were terminated on 1 September 1996, in accordance with paragraph 8 of resolution 1011 (1995), all States are required to continue to implement the foregoing restrictions with a view to preventing the sale and supply of arms and related materiel to non-governmental forces for use in Rwanda.

5. In accordance with paragraph 11 of Security Council resolution 1011 (1995), on 18 November 2002 the Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations informed the Committee that the Turkish corporation Makina ve Kimya Endüstrisi Kurumu had signed a contract with the Ministry of Defence of Rwanda for the sale of 5,000 rounds of 20 millimetre target practice tracer (TPT) training cartridges for use in helicopters or war planes and intended for the sole use of the Government of Rwanda.

6. Also during the reporting period, the Chairman received a note verbale dated 10 December 2002 from the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, transmitting document No. 2183, dated 30 October 2002, whereby the President of Argentina decreed that "the National Executive Power and the public departments and organs of the National State shall adopt the measures necessary to comply with the decisions contained in United Nations Security Council resolutions 1011 (1995), 1013 (1995) and 1053 (1996)".

III. Observations

7. In the absence of a specific monitoring mechanism to ensure the effective implementation of the arms embargo, the Committee would like to recall its previous observation that it relies solely on the cooperation of States and organizations in a position to provide information on violations of the arms embargo. During the reporting period, no violations of the arms embargo were brought to the attention of the Committee.